

Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Collision- Wilmington

Wilmington- Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle collision that occurred Tuesday evening.

On January 26, 2021, at approximately 6:16 p.m., a 2015 Jeep Cherokee was traveling northbound on Shipley Road approaching the intersection of Delwynn Drive. A 1989 Cadillac DeVille was traveling southbound on Shipley Road approaching the intersection of Delwynn Drive. For unknown reasons, the Cadillac drifted over the double yellow lines and began traveling partially in the northbound lane. The Jeep operator was unable to avoid the collision, which resulted in the front left of the Jeep striking the front left of the Cadillac. After the collision, both vehicles spun out of control and became disabled in the roadway.

The operator of the 2015 Jeep Cherokee was a 63-year-old female of Wilmington, DE. She was transported to an area hospital where she was treated and released with non-life-threatening injuries.

The operator of the 1989 Cadillac DeVille was an 88-year-old male of Wilmington, DE. He was transported to an area hospital where he succumbed to his life-threatening injuries and was pronounced deceased. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin.

Shipley Road between Delwynn Drive and Hoyer Court was closed for approximately 3 hours during the on-scene investigation.

The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this collision. Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact Sgt. D.

Alexander with the Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling 302-365-8437. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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